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Duncan Creek Baptist Church
—AT—
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MINUTES OF THE

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NEXT ANNUAL SESSION.

The next annual session of this Association will be held with the Tula Baptist Church at Tula, Miss., commencing on Tuesday before the third Sunday in September, 1902, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

- MISSIONS—A. J. Jones and A. D. Hale.
MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION
—E. E. Thornton and J. T. Swain.
SUNDAY SCHOOLS—J. C. Todd and L. A. Souter.
PROHIBITION—J. W. Boatwright and J. M. Shadrack.
WOMAN'S WORK—W. L. Souter and A. R. Collins.

STATE OF RELIGION—B. J. Caldwell and S. J. Fitzgerald.

DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATION—V. B. Tucker and Julius Collins.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST ORPHANAGE—A. C. West and J. T. Reynolds.

MINUTES.

The Sixty-second Annual Session of the Chickasaw Baptist Association met with Duncan Creek Baptist Church on Tuesday, September 10, 1901. Devotional exercises conducted by H. L. Finley.

Introductory Sermon by the appointee, Rev. E. E. Thornton. Scripture lesson, selections from the 119th Psalm. Text, 2 Timothy, 3rd chapter, 16th and 17th verses. After Sermon, prayer by C. W. Smith. Adjourned until 2 o'clock for refreshments.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

Called together by song. The Moderator read the 103rd Psalm. Prayer by W. L. Souter. The body was now decided ready for permanent organization.

J. M. Pritchard and L. A. Souter were appointed reading clerks.

Letters were read from the following churches, which show the list of Messengers:

Mt. Pisgah—A. J. Jones, A. D. Hale, J. T. Smith and J. A. Beard, alternate.

Temperance Hill—J. M. Shadrack, J. W. Boatwright, M. P. Boatwright and T. C. Caldwell, alternate.

Shady Grove—W. H. Kidd, J. B. Swords, T. R. Warren and D. B. Robbins, alternate.

Bethel, U. C.—J. S. Dyson, W. H. Powell, J. H. Robbins and Louis Weeden, alternate.

Shiloh—Thomas Gorley, W. H. Miller, J. M. Sparks and J. M. Kelly, alternate.

Piney Grove—E. M. Forshee, T. J. Carr, T. J. Westmoreland and Wm. Tutor, alternate.

Liberty—B. J. Caldwell, Ottis Caldwell, S. J. Fitzgerald and W. M. Mounce, alternate.

Philadelphia—A. J. Petty, G. F. Bonds, H. C. Tyre and J. W. Adams, alternate.

Friendship—W. L. Souter, J. R. Hill, W. A. Gooch and J. H. Collins, alternate.

Mt. Pleasant—J. C. Bailey, E. E. Sloan, J. B. Gaulding and T. S. Crumpton, alternate.

MINUTES OF THE

- Spring Creek—W. C. Henderson, J. W. Barten, D. P. Morgan, W. H. Mitchell and J. T. Brown, alternate.
- Toccopola—Wm. Hodges, Amos Davis and W. F. Waldrop.
- New Hope—L. A. Souter, W. H. Smith, Wm. Johnson and W. H. Seale.
- Salem—J. H. Morgan, J. P. Rodgers, J. A. Raffield and H. H. Kirk.
- Cherry Creek—W. R. Spencer, B. F. Leavell, J. F. Pitts, V. B. Tucker and T. H. Spencer, alternate.
- Valley—T. H. Smith, W. H. Jones, F. E. Duncan, J. C. Russell, M. C. Whittington and C. L. Martin, alternate.
- Midway—G. W. Andrewson, G. W. Alford, I. Bullard and A. G. Vaughn, alternate.
- Pleasant Dale—B. F. Duncan, J. M. Willard, W. D. Sneed and F. Sullivan, alternate.
- Cypress Creek—J. F. Goolsby, E. H. Harris, M. C. Butler and A. H. Hale, alternate.
- Bethel, L. C.—S. F. Woolton, A. V. Davis, T. W. Black and F. W. Nabors, alternate.
- Fredonia—T. R. Black, J. M. Parrish, Chas. Stuart and I. T. Buchanan, alternate.
- Duncan Creek—T. C. Hodges, W. B. Dickson, L. L. Grisham and Wm. Short, alternate.
- Myrtle—J. E. Coltharp, M. B. Robbins, E. M. Floyd, T. L. Ruff and A. C. West, alternate.
- Oak Grove—W. M. Gadd, R. H. Grisham, J. W. Hale and Willie Gadd, alternate.
- Spring Hill—W. A. Rodgers, W. A. Mayo, J. E. Mayo and O. B. Souter, alternate.
- Amaziah—L. M. Baker, S. M. Fields, Jerry Dean and A. J. Boatner, alternate.
- New Prospect—E. E. Mahan, J. H. Berry, B. F. Hale and A. J. Robbins, alternate.
- Bay Springs—C. N. Walvarton, R. D. Roberts, M. I. Quick and G. G. Wilson, alternate.
- Turnpike—W. L. Pulley, George Bramlett, Samuel Hood and Jap Smitherman, alternate.
- New Albany—E. E. Thornton, H. R. Smith, Nat Owen, Harry Baker, J. T. Swain, E. Y. Reaves, H. D. King, L. R. Kenneday and S. R. Knox, alternate.
- Pleasant Hill—W. P. Parker, H. Jordan, Willie Bennett and George Robbins, alternate.
- Tula—J. J. Gibson, W. L. Mullens, J. W. Powell and D. Coffman.

Macedonia—C. W. Smith, I. M. Gray, O. O. Maxey and Andrew Ash, alternate.

The Moderator instructed all Messengers to prepare their ballots for Moderator, Treasurer and Clerk. J. A. Landers and J. W. Powell were appointed tellers of the election, which resulted in the choice of Rev. C. W. Smith, Moderator; B. O. Garner, Treasurer; and V. B. Tucker, Clerk.

The Moderator made some very appropriate remarks and expressed his thanks to the body for his reelection.

On motion of J. J. Gibson the Order of Business for last year was adopted for this meeting, striking out No. 3 of this year, to wit:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call for Petitionary Letters.
2. Call for Correspondents.
3. Report on Missions.
4. Report on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education.
5. Report of Executive Committee.
6. Report on Sunday Schools.
7. Report on Prohibition.
8. Report on Woman's Work.
9. Report on State of Religion.
10. Report on Documents and Publications.
11. Report on Finance and Treasurer's Report.
12. Report of Committee on Nominations.
13. Report on Mississippi Baptist Orphanage.
14. Appoint Correspondents.
15. Appoint Standing Committees.
16. General Business.

A Petitionary Letter was presented from Cave Springs Church asking membership in this body.

On motion of E. E. Thornton a committee of three was appointed to report on the condition of this church before receiving her into the Association.

Committee—E. E. Thornton, J. J. Gibson and W. L. Souter.

A Petitionary Letter was offered and read from Cornersville, and on motion of J. W. Boatwright this church was received and the Moderator gave the Messengers the hand of welcome.

Messengers—J. L. Byers, W. A. Sanders, Joe Loper.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

FINANCE—J. W. Boatwright, O. B. Souter and Ottis Caldwell.

NO MINATIONS—W. L. Souter, W. R. Spencer and E. E. Sloan

DEVOTION—Jas. Smith, R. D. Roberts and the Deacons of Duncan Creek Church.

WOMAN'S WORK—To report at this meeting—W. P. Goolsby and E. E. Thornton.

On motion of E. E. Thornton, a committee of three was appointed to investigate and report on some irregularities of Spring Hill Church, committee consisting of J. W. Boatwright, I. M. Gray and E. E. Sloan.

The Moderator called for Correspondents, and gave the hand of welcome to J. A. Landers and S. W. Price of the West Judson Association, and H. L. Finley, from Texas, who is now employed as colporteur for North Mississippi.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright, the Association was adjourned to meet at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow, and that thirty minutes be spent in devotional exercises led by I. M. Gray.

Homes were assigned the Messengers and visitors. Report of Devotional Committee.

J. A. Landers to preach in this house, and T. R. Black at the Methodist house at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

Dismissed by J. A. Landers.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Called together by song. The 23rd Psalm was read by I. M. Gray. Prayer by J. A. Landers. Song: "I Want to be a Worker." Prayer by H. L. Finley. Song: "Leaning on Jesus." Talk by A. V. Rowe.

After this, Minutes of first day were read and adopted.

The Committee to report on Cave Springs Church made the following Report, to wit:

Your Committee to whom was refused the seating of Messengers from the church at Cave Springs, recommend that the Association refuse seats in this body to Messengers from said church until they consent to subject their members to such discipline as is held and practiced by the churches composing this Association.

E. E. THORNTON,
J. J. GIBSON,
W. L. SOUTER. } Committee.

On motion this Report was adopted.

The Moderator recognized as correspondents Bro. A.

V. Rowe, our State Secretary; Frank Souter, of the Aberdeen Association, and also gave the hand of welcome to Bros. J. T. Garrison, J. D. Potter and J. S. Hale, they having been appointed at our last meeting to report at this meeting on the subjects assigned them, not being Messengers of this body.

The following resolution was offered by I. M. Gray:

RESOLVED, That all speeches be limited to fifteen minutes during this meeting, except that Bro. A. V. Rowe be allowed as much time as he desires.

On motion it was adopted.

The following report on Missions was read by J. W. Boatwright, to wit:

Your Committee on Missions would state that the general voice of Mississippi Baptists is that of joy over the work that God has abundantly blessed during the past year in prospering, in many respects, our State Mission work. More money has been given and more progress made in all lines of our work than ever before in any one year. The State Board has been ordered by the Convention to increase its work 25 per cent. Brethren, we should do our part.

We herewith give you a statistical table showing the results of the year's work.

ITEMS OF PERSONAL WORK.

Days of actual service	5,972
Number of miles traveled	42,000
Number of Stations	171
Number of sermons preached	3,985
Church prayer meetings attended	750
Families visited for religious purposes	3,297
Number of persons baptized	341
Baptized by others in meetings where missionaries labored	442
Received by letter	538
Restored to Church fellowship	46
Number of Churches organized	9
Sunday Schools organized	11
Officers, teachers and scholars in same	600
Total number of Sunday Schools	53
Officers, teachers and scholars in same	2,200
Sunday School addresses delivered	90
Number of pages of tracts distributed	52,000
Bibles and Testaments distributed	500
Value of Bibles sold	\$1,250
Value of books sold	\$200

Families without Bibles.....	60
Money collected for personal services.....	\$2,460
Money collected for Missions.....	\$3,000
Number of houses of worship commenced.....	11
Number of houses of worship finished.....	12
Number of houses of worship repaired.....	6
Amount expended for houses of worship.....	\$26,800

Our Home Board has received 26 per cent more in money than last year and we are making progress along many lines. We are asked to give, as a State, \$7,000. We can do no better than to copy the following part of the State Convention report:

"The purpose of this Board is to supplement the respective State Boards in their efforts to supply the destitution which is so abundant within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention. Its work is to combine and direct the energies of the strong, to help the weak and awaken the latent possibilities of our Southern churches, who have not heretofore been enlisted in the evangelization of those who are without God and without hope in the world.

"The day is past when the necessity for this Board could be made a subject of controversy. One need only glance at what has been done and is doing to be convinced that it is one of the strong arms of our power as the people of the Lord. Within the last ten years this Board has had in employ 4,522. These have baptized 53,438; added to the church, 111,706; constituted 1,819 churches; organized 3,439 Sunday schools; raised for building houses of worship, by missionaries, \$646,385. The work of last year shows a gratifying increase over any former year. But the work of the Board has not kept pace with the increasing need. The rapid development of our Southern land in every department of human activity, and the corresponding increase in the population, has brought a crying need which appalls. We cannot relax, but we must double, or even redouble, our efforts."

During the last year blessings have come to the lost on foreign fields where the Gospel was preached. God is the author of Missions. He sent His Son into the world that was lost to redeem it from sin. Men were impressed in the past with the Holy Spirit to go to the lost with the Gospel. It also impresses men today. Our God has been with us in our Mission work from the beginning; in fact, men could not do what has been done if God had not directed the work. God had great confidence in His children here on earth or

He would never have trusted them with so great a commission as that of carrying the Gospel to the heathen. Great blessings await the churches of our Association that obey the marching orders of our Lord: "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature."

Statistics of the Foreign Mission work for the year 1900-1901:

Number of churches	127
" of out stations	166
" male missionaries	46
" female	56
" ordained natives	41
" unordained " male	110
" " female	20
" baptisms	1,009
" received by letter	212
" restored	21
" deaths	74
" expelled	145
" dismissed by letter	247
Total membership	6,773
Number of Sunday School scholars	2,294
" houses of worship	70
" day school	35
" school scholars	939
Total amount contributed	\$10,259.17

These statistics are taken from the Minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1901.

J. W. BOATWRIGHT.

J. M. SHADRACK.

Discussed by A. V. Rowe and C. W. Smith, and on motion of J. J. Gibson, the report was adopted.

The hour for preaching having arrived, the business of the Association was stopped and the stands were filled by J. A. Landers and T. R. Black, as appointed by the Devotional Committee.

At the close of sermon prayer was offered by A. V. Rowe, after which a public collection was taken for the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, which amounted to \$12.62.

On motion of J. W. Powell the Association was adjourned until 2 o'clock for refreshments. Dismissed by E. E. Thornton.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session.

The committee appointed to report on the irregularity

of Spring Hill Church made the following report, to wit:
 Your Committee appointed to investigate charges against the church at Spring Hill on receiving J. E. Maloy into full fellowship, on a personal statement by him, after careful and prayerful examination of all the evidence accessible concerning the past life of J. E. Maloy, do hereby report the church at Spring Hill as out of order.

I. M. GRAY,
 E. E. SLOAN,
 J. W. BOATWRIGHT.

On motion of W. L. Souter the report was received and committee discharged, after being discussed by J. D. Potter, Carl Bratton, E. E. Thornton, C. W. Smith, W. L. Souter and J. W. Powell.

Report of the Devotional Committee:

A. J. Jones to preach at 2:30 this p. m. at the Chapel;
 C. W. Smith to preach in this house and I. M. Gray at the Chapel tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

The following resolution was offered by E. E. Thornton, to wit:

WHEREAS, The church at Spring Hill has by vote been declared out of order in the reception of a member, and

WHEREAS, The church at Spring Hill has always stood well as a member of this body, and

WHEREAS, The church at Spring Hill is now represented in this body by Messengers and letter, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Messengers from the church at Spring Hill, except J. E. Maloy, be recognized on this floor and allowed all the privileges of Messengers.

On motion of W. B. Dixon the resolution was adopted.

On motion of W. M. Gadd a committee of three was appointed to labor with Spring Hill Church and report at the next meeting of this body, committee consisting of W. M. Gadd, E. E. Thornton and E. E. Sloan.

The Report on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education as read by J. D. Potter:

REPORT ON MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education, beg leave to make the following report, to wit:

Mississippi College, situated at Clinton, Miss., ten miles west of Jackson, and under the control of the Baptists of Mississippi through a Board of Trustees elected by the Baptist State Convention, has enjoyed, during the past As-

sociational year, the greatest prosperity in its history. Two hundred and eighty-eight (288) students were enrolled during the session, and President Lowrey reports that the behavior of the student body has been excellent, and the work accomplished has been complimentary to both students and faculty.

At a meeting of the Trustees in the spring it was determined that it was necessary and expedient that the endowment of Mississippi College be increased to \$100,000. This was the first step; and to complete the idea requires the raising of some \$60,000 by the Baptists of Mississippi. The second step was taken by the graduating class of 1901, when they presented the President of the College the first \$1,000 necessary to the endowment. The same day another step was taken when the alumni association increased the amount pledged to over \$5,000.

When the matter came before the State Convention at McComb City, Dr. Lowrey read a contract with John D. Rockefeller, through the Educational Society, by which he pledges to give to the College the sum of \$14,550, on condition that the Baptists of the State give \$45,450. This proposition was accepted by the Convention, and Dr. Lowrey will give his attention to the matter till the amount is in hand.

If, as is claimed, there are in Mississippi more than 90,000 white Baptists, it would require but the small amount of fifty cents per head to raise the sum asked for. But it is quite likely that there are those who are not willing to give even so small an amount for such a purpose. Not every one, perhaps, sees in Mississippi College a mighty power for good, as Dr. Lowrey and those who are aiding him in the undertaking.

Why is it necessary to have an "endowment" in order to have a first class college? asks some brother. We offer the following reasons, not unanswerable arguments in favor of endowment, but with the view of eliciting discussion among the brethren:

First, it is the style: all first rate Colleges are endowed, so if we wish to keep up with the procession, our College must be endowed also.

Second, it gives an institution character, stability and a standing which enables the best talent to be more readily placed in the instructor's chair, and kept there.

Third, it renders an institution more efficient. Every one who has given the subject of higher education serious

thought, realizes the truth of this statement Dr. Lowrey knows this, or he would not give his time and talent to the work. When our people come to believe that the College is a means for doing good, that it is a necessity and that the proposed endowment will enlarge its influence, the money will be forthcoming.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We believe that our preachers should be educated men. A preacher should be a teacher. The Saviour said: "Go teach all nations." No one can be a successful teacher who is not himself taught. Paul wrote to Timothy: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." The very object to be accomplished in education is to learn to think correctly. It does not follow that education will make a preacher, but it is a fact that a preacher without an education, except in rare instances, has his sphere of usefulness greatly restricted.

Some money is contributed by our churches every year and placed at the disposal of the proper parties in aid of those who feel it their duty to preach the gospel, and also appreciate the necessity of proper preparation for the work. Students in Mississippi College and in the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., have been thus aided. Doubtless much good has been thus accomplished; but we would suggest that all assistance thus extended be in the nature of loans.

Some rather curious facts are presented by the statistics of the last Associational Minute. The number of churches reported is 32, (the year before 35); the number of ordained preachers, 26; licentiates, 6. Of these 26 preachers, 10 of them served as pastors of 19 churches. The other 13 churches secured 9 pastors from other Associations. As to the employment of the other 16 preachers resident within the bounds of our Association, we do not know; they perhaps find work in other territory. But the fact remains that we have a preaching force of 26 ordained, and 6 licensed ministers, and employ 19 men all told in pastoral work in our Association. Are we overstocked with preachers, or is the fault in sorry distribution? Or, is it the result of the young, educated, energetic men crowding out the older and more illiterate brethren?

Respectfully submitted,

JEFF D. POTTER,
Chairman of Com.

Discussed by J. D. Potter, Carl Bratton, J. J. Gibson, E. E. Thornton and A. V. Rowe, and on motion of E. E. Thornton the report was adopted.

The Report of the Executive Committee was set for 9 o'clock on tomorrow morning.

The following Report on Sunday Schools was read by J. T. Garrison:

Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to report:

It seems, as to the right of the work, that in theory we are all agreed, but where are we as to practice?

As to the number of Sunday Schools enrolled last year we are not able to report, but think that we are safe in saying that as to number, enrollment and spiritual interest all over our entire Association, the people are more alive on the subject and a greater interest is manifested than ever before.

We recommend the Southern Baptist Literature, because it is thoroughly enlisted in battling for the cause, and again it's home.

We can't see why there is not a Sunday School in every church and community. Let's pray more earnestly that the cause be removed and that the banner of our Saviour may wave supremely in every community and home over this entire broad land of ours.

Have your students write essays and make talks in Sunday School, for in this way we can have more Bible reading and more Bible thinking. May we all determine to do more for our Lord this year than ever before.

May the loving and protecting arms of a crucified Saviour be ever thrown around us, shielding us from all harm, guiding and protecting us till our work is ended.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. JORDAN.

W. M. HANDCOCK.

On motion of W. L. Souter the Association was adjourned until 8:30 tomorrow morning. W. L. Souter appointed to conduct the devotional exercises in the morning. Dismissed by A. J. Jones.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

Devotional exercises led by W. L. Souter. Participated in by B. J. Caldwell, Frank Souter, H. L. Finley and J. H. Morgan.

The Association called to order by the Moderator. The Minutes of the second day were read and approved.

Report of the Executive Committee as read by J. B. Gaulding:

We the Executive Board report that soon after the last Association we met and organized. We have stood in readiness at all times to do any work that might present itself, although very little has been done.

We recommend that each church take a collection for Foreign, Home and State Missions, not less than what is apportioned by the Association, and that the Treasurer of each church send all money contributed to B. O. Garner, Treasurer of the Association, to be forwarded to Bro. Rowe, so that his report in our Minutes will show all money raised by our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. SPENCER,	} Committee.
J. B. GAULDING,	
B. J. CALDWELL,	
V. B. TUCKER.	

The Executive Board of this Association in a meeting at Chery Creek on Monday, the 23rd of September, 1901, makes this recommendation:

We the Executive Board of this Association recommend that each church in the Association raise during the next Associational year not less than 35 cents per member for Missions, (Foreign, Home and State), and by so doing our Association will carry out the wishes of the State Board.

W. R. SPENCER, Chairman.

V. B. TUCKER, Clerk.

On motion of I. M. Gray the report as read by Bro. Gaulding was adopted.

The Report on Sunday Schools was called up and discussed by I. M. Gray, E. E. Thornton, Frank Souter, H. L. Finley, J. B. Gaulding, C. W. Smith, W. L. Souter and G. W. Alford, and on motion of J. W. Boatwright, was adopted.

On motion of E. E. Thornton the regular order was suspended and the Report on Nominations was called for and the following report was made:

We the Committee on Nominations make the following report:

As Messengers to the next Southern Baptist Convention, J. W. Boatwright and W. L. Souter alternate.

Place for the next Association, the church at Tula.

To preach the Introductory Sermon, A. J. Jones and I. M. Gray, alternate.

We recommend that the Association continue the Executive Board, and recommend the following brethren, to wit: V. B. Tucker, B. J. Caldwell, J. B. Gaulding, W. A. Gooch and W. R. Spencer.

Submitted,

W. L. SOUTER,
Chairman.

E. E. Thornton made a motion to amend by striking out Tula, and nominated the Valley Church as the place for the next meeting. This motion to amend was discussed by E. E. Thornton, W. L. Souter, J. J. Gibson, H. L. Finley, J. L. B. rs and J. W. Boatwright. Question called for on the amendment. The vote was taken by rising to the feet. The amendment was lost. A vote on the original report was called for and the report was adopted.

On motion of E. E. Thornton the committee appointed to get up program for the next Sunday School Institute was instructed to have program printed in this Minute.

On motion of E. E. Thornton preaching at 11 o'clock was dispensed with and the business of the Association was continued in order to get through with work of the Association.

PROHIBITION.

Report on Prohibition as read by J. J. Gibson:

It is not the purpose of this Report to discuss this subject, but only to introduce it.

Prohibition, as understood in this Report and in our Associational work, is one of the greatest questions of this age. It is a question to which all Christians and citizens should give their sympathy and entire influence. The following are some reasons why lovers of right should favor prohibition:

First, the injurious effect of alcoholic drink upon our physical nature.

Second, the injurious effect upon our mental nature.

Third, the injurious effect upon our moral nature.

Fourth, the injurious effect upon our spiritual nature.

We assign only one more reason why we should favor prohibition, though many others might be given, and that reason is: Alcoholic drink is one of the bitterest enemies to the happiness and peace of homes. One more question to be considered: How may we help in this great battle of right against wrong?

First, as parents, by teaching our children the evil of the wine glass.

Second, as young people, by showing our disapproval of drunkenness—this may be done in many ways.

Third, as churches and ministers, by lifting our voice against drunkenness.

Fourth, by church members and citizens insisting upon the execution of the law upon all violators of the law of prohibition.

Lastly, we can help in this great work by praying right and voting right.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. GIBSON,

JOHN W. POWELL.

Discussed by J. J. Gibson, Frank Souter, J. B. Gaulding and E. E. Thornton, and on motion of W. L. Souter the report was adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Report on Woman's Work as read by E. E. Thornton:

Through the consecrated service and self-sacrificing giving of the noble women of our churches much commendable work has been done in the Master's kingdom. But the letters read from the churches show this work to have been done by the few. Then, as with the men, the majority of the women have not been enlisted. The great need, as touching this department of work, is to elicit, combine and utilize this power of our churches in reaching, instructing and developing the masses in Bible doctrine. And to this end, your Committee recommends

1. That the Pastors inform themselves more thoroughly with reference to the importance of this work, and help those women who are leading in the work, and, if possible, interest every woman in our churches.
2. That a place be given in the Minutes of this Association to record the work done by the Women Societies.

E. E. THORNTON,

WILEY P. GOOLSBY.

Discussed by E. E. Thornton, and on motion of J. W. Boatwright the report was adopted.

Report on the State of Religion as read by J. L. Byers:

All who gave heed to Bro. Boatwright's report on Mission Work, and to the speeches of Bros. Rowe and Smith on Missions, embracing the State of Religion, will agree that we are making some progress.

We have received by baptism this year, 235; by letter, 95, and by restoration, 19.

We look for a little war at any time. A little modern holiness and a little of the doctrine that none but the Caucasian race of man is to be saved, are calculated to disturb our peace for a while, but we will trust the Lord for final deliverance.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. BYERS,
J. T. GARRISON.

Discussed by J. L. Byers, J. J. Gibson, T. R. Black, J. W. Boatwright and E. E. Thornton, and on motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS.

Report on Documents and Publications as read by J. B. Gauling:

On account of so much cheap, trashy literature being advertised and sample copies being sent out all over this country, we recommend,

First, that we earnestly and prayerfully read the Bible in our homes and that we endeavor to inculcate in the minds of our young people a taste for the reading of nothing but pure and wholesome literature by not allowing any trashy or sensational papers or books to be brought into our homes to poison the minds of our young people.

Second, we recommend the study of our S. B. C. series of literature as the best way to get our children interested in the study of God's Word.

Third, we recommend that we subscribe for nothing that will not have a tendency to make us better Christians and better citizens.

Fourth, we recommend that we subscribe for such Baptist papers and buy such Baptist books as we think best suited to the wants of our families.

Fifth, we recommend that the Clerk superintend the printing and distributing of the Minutes of this Association and that he be allowed Seven dollars and Fifty cents for his services.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. GAULDING,
J. B. SMITH.

On motion of W. L. Souter the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Fredonia	\$ 65	Tula	\$ 70
New Albany	2 00	Macedonia	2 20
Mt. Pleasant	1 10	Liberty	80
New Hope	80	Piney Grove	50

Amaziah.....	1 10	Myrtle.....	90
Midway.....	60	Turnpike.....	80
Philadelphia.....	60	Bay Springs.....	65
Bethel L. C.....	30	Pleasant Dale.....	30
Mt. Pisgah.....	1 10	Spring Creek.....	80
Bethel U. C.....	85	Pleasant Hill.....	1 20
Tocopola.....	60	Friendship.....	1 30
Salem.....	75	Temperance Hill.....	70
Oak Grove.....	90	Spring Hill.....	1 50
Cornersville.....	60	Duncan Creek.....	1 10
Cherry Creek.....	2 30	Cypress Creek.....	60
Shiloh.....	2 00		

Total amount of Minute Fund, \$30.30.

Respectfully submitted,

O. B. SOUTER,
OTTIS CALDWELL,
J. W. BOATWRIGHT.

On motion of W. R. Spencer the report was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Report on Mississippi Baptist Orphanage as read by
O. B. Souter:

This institution was opened four years ago—the 12th of May—with rented property. From that day it began to grow and prosper as does everything when under the care and guidance of God. There has always been a demand for more room as the managers could not accommodate all the applicants. Your Committee is proud to state that the orphans now have a home and that not a rented one. The orphanage property consists of 112 acres of land; two neat painted cottages with six furnished rooms each; a superintendent's home with eight rooms all furnished; a business office; a printing office and outfit; barn and good fences; cows, horses, wagon, buggies, harness, plows, hoes, etc.; a well of pure, good water with tank and pumping outfit to put the water where needed, all of which is valued at \$18,000. There has also just been completed a nice three story brick building that will accommodate 125, or more.

Last year the average attendance was 32; this year 50. This is now a chartered institution owned by the Baptists of Mississippi, directed by a Board of Trustees and open for the reception of all white orphan children who are mentally and physically healthy. The children are taught to work, and they have a literary school for their especial benefit. Then every Sunday the children are gathered into a

Sunday School.

Your Committee would recommend a liberal contribution to this home, and also to THE GEM as the organ of this home.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. COLLINS,
O. B. SOUTER. } Committee.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the report was adopted after being discussed by O. B. Souter, E. E. Sloan, J. L. Byers, J. W. Boatwright and C. W. Smith.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1900.	AMOUNTS RECEIVED.	DR.
Sept. 13.	Amount on hand as per last report.....	\$ 2 49
" 25.	Public collection Chickasaw Cherry Creek Church.....	19 40
" 19.	" to Welch fund	10 20
1901.		
Jan. 18.	Amount to Baptist Orphanage.....	10 00
Feb. 2.	" Foreign Missions.....	85 35
" 2.	" Home	42 50
April 29.	" "	23 84
1900.		
Oct. 9.	L. M. Society Cherry Creek Church Foreign Missions	5 10
Dec. 13.	Home "	4 50
1901.		
April 2.	Foreign "	4 30
" 29.	Home "	2 75
Sept. 5.	Foreign "	5 60
" 5.	Home "	1 25
" 5.	State "	1 25
Jan. 1.	Sunbeam Society Cherry Creek Church General Missions.....	1 05
Feb. 21.	Liberty Church Foreign Missions.....	5 50
Sept. 11.	Foreign Missions	6 70
Mar. 9.	Mt. Pleasant Church Foreign Missions.....	16 15
Sept. 11.	State Missions.....	6 40
" 11.	Home "	5 35
Mar. 26.	Fredonia Church Foreign Missions.....	9 00
Sept. 11.	General Missions.....	1 00
Aug. 22.	Myrtle Church Foreign Missions.....	6 00
April 22.	Friendship Church expenses delegate to Convention.....	1 60
Sept 11.	General Missions.....	5 55
April 29.	Tula, Miss., expenses delegate to Con-	

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		vention.....	1 00
"	29.	General Missions.....	1 00
"	30.	Bethel L. C. Church Foreign Missions..	1 40
Sept.	11.	Spring Hill Church General " ..	3 15
"	11.	Midway Church Foreign " ..	1 65
"	11.	Home Missions	2 00
"	11.	State "	1 00
"	11.	New Hope Church Foreign Missions...	3 75
"	11.	Home Missions	1 25
"	11.	Pleasant Hill Church General Missions.	5 00
"	11.	Imperance Hill Church Gen. " ..	2 00
"	11.	Bay Springs Church Foreign " ..	2 10
"	11.	Cypress Creek Church General " ..	4 00
"	11.	Cornersville Church Home " ..	2 45
"	11.	Spring Creek Church Foreign " ..	3 65
"	11.	State Missions	1 00
"	16.	" " by H. L. Finley	10 00
"	11.	Macedonia Church General Missions. .	7 00
"	11.	Salem " " "	3 10
"	12.	Miss Nannie Hardin Foreign Missions	1 00

Total amount received..... \$340 33

AMOUNTS PAID OUT.

Sept.	19.	Am't sent L. S. Foster by V. B. Tucker,	\$ 10 20
"	25.	" " L. S. Foster by E. E. Thornton	19 40
Dec	11.	" " A. V. Rowe.....	5 10
Feb.	6.	" " A. V. Rowe	33 40
"	6.	" " L. S. Foster.....	10 00
April	2.	" " A. V. Rowe.....	34 95
"	30.	" " A. V. Rowe.....	26 59
Aug.	22.	" " A. V. Rowe.....	7 40
"	16.	" " A. V. Rowe by H. L. Finley	10 00

Amount on hand to balance \$257 04
83 29

Respectfully submitted, \$340 33

B. O. GARNER, Treasurer.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Finance has examined the Treasurer's books and find them correct.

O. B. SOUTER,
OTTIS CALDWELL,
J. W. BOATWRIGHT.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright all members of this Association who meet with the different bodies with which we usually correspond knowing themselves to be in good standing with their churches, may be considered as Messengers to this body.

The following resolution was offered by J. W. Boatwright and on motion of W. L. Souter was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Association be and are hereby extended to Duncan Creek Church and neighborhood for the hospitable manner in which they entertained us during our stay among them.

On motion of J. W. Boatwright the Minutes of the last day were left in the hands of the Clerk to be made out correctly.

On motion of L. A. Souter the Association adjourned to meet with Tula Church on Tuesday before the Third Sunday in September, 1902, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

A general farewell handshaking was engaged in while singing, "God be with you till we meet again."

C. W. SMITH, Moderator.

V. B. TUCKER, Clerk.

PROGRAM OF THE S. S. INSTITUTE.

Program for the Chickasaw Baptist Sunday School Institute for the year 1902 to be held with Macedonia Church commencing on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in June at 10 o'clock a. m.:

1. The history of the first Sunday School and the causes that led to its organization—E. E. Thornton and J. T. Swain.

2. What is the greatest need of our Sunday Schools, or how can teachers and pupils be impelled to become more fruitful?—J. B. Gaulding and Ottis Caldwell.

3. Steps to secure the number of Sunday Schools in our Association—W. M. Gadd and A. R. Collins.

4. The value of Sunday School Conventions, and how can we derive the most benefit from them?—S. Joe Owen and W. L. Souter.

5. Do Pedo Baptist make suitable teachers in our Sun-

day Schools?—I. M. Gray and A. J. Jones.

6. Should members of Baptist churches join in and help organize and maintain Union Sunday Schools?—J. T. Garrison and J. P. Rogers.

7. Should we receive members in our churches on baptism administered by any denomination save the Missionary Baptist?—J. J. Gibson and J. W. Boatwright.

Sermon on Saturday at 11 o'clock a. m.—J. J. Gibson.

Respectfully submitted,

V. B. TUCKER,
MISS MARY BABB.



Church	Pastor	Pastor Post Office	Clerk	Clerks Post Off	Seating Capacity	Days of Me.	Total Membership	Deaths	Excluded	Dis. by Let.	Re'd by Res.	Re'd by Let.	Re'd by Bap.
Amaziah	L. M. Gray	Darden	J. F. Boatner	Maple	800	2	89	1	1	4	9	4	
Bethel L. C.	J. S. Habbard	Sarepta	T. W. Black	Oxford	400	3	98	3	3	2	2	2	
Bethel U. C.	A. H. Jones	Gallway	W. G. Herrin	Busby	400	3	98	3	3	2	2	2	
Bay Springs	T. H. Winter	Oxford	R. D. Roberts	Holder	300	3	79	1	1	4	1	1	
Cornersville	E. M. Floyd	Myrtle	E. A. Baker	Cornersville	300	3	79	1	1	4	1	1	
Cypress Creek	J. S. Hubbard	Sarepta	T. W. Ayent	Liberty Hill	400	3	56	4	4	2	2	2	
Cherry Creek	T. A. J. Beasley	Mud Creek	D. E. Pitts	Cherry Creek	500	3	185	4	4	2	2	2	
Duncan Creek	W. A. Mays	Blue Springs	J. M. Rritchard	Thaxton	350	3	101	4	4	2	2	2	
Fredonia	J. A. Landers	Blue Springs	Neely Huskinson	Ingomar	350	3	138	4	4	2	2	2	
Friendship	J. J. Gibson	Tula	W. A. Gooch	Eoru	400	3	147	4	4	2	2	2	
Liberty	J. A. Landers	Blue Springs	W. M. Mounce	Wallerville	400	3	147	4	4	2	2	2	
Macdonald	C. W. Smith	Darden	J. T. Garrison	Darden	250	3	150	4	4	2	2	2	
Myrtle	C. W. Smith	Darden	A. R. Collins	Myrtle	400	3	150	4	4	2	2	2	
Mt. Pleasant	C. W. Smith	Darden	J. T. Smith	Gallway	300	3	86	2	2	1	1	1	
Midway	T. A. J. Beasley	Poplar Springs	H. C. Sloan	Wallerville	400	3	185	1	1	1	1	1	
New Albany	W. L. Brown	Holder	A. G. Vagnin	Holder	600	3	156	1	1	1	1	1	
New Prospect	E. E. Thornton	New Albany	C. S. Cullins	New Albany	191 all	3	191 all	1	1	1	1	1	
Oak Grove	W. J. Ball	Wallerville	J. H. Berry	Espranzo	400	3	40	3	3	1	1	1	
Pleasant Hill	F. M. Ferrell	Mud Creek	W. H. Seale	Brann	300	3	61	3	3	1	1	1	
Piney Grove	J. R. Carter	Blue Mountain	J. T. Hale	Avanelle	400	3	96	1	1	1	1	1	
Philadelphia	C. W. Ferrell	Darden	J. W. Oaks	New Albany	400	3	132	4	4	2	2	2	
Pleasant Dale	F. M. Ferrell	Mud Creek	W. S. McGreger	Randolph	400	3	86	1	1	1	1	1	
Spring Hill	C. A. W. Smith	Gallway	H. F. Baker	Walton	400	3	74	1	1	1	1	1	
Shady Grove	A. J. Jones	Mud Creek	R. F. Duncan	Busby	500	3	66	2	2	1	1	1	
Shiloh	F. M. Ferrell	Eoru	O. B. Souter	Mud Creek	500	3	138	3	3	2	2	2	
Spring Creek	T. R. Black	Darden	J. T. Brown	Sage	500	3	114	1	1	1	1	1	
Salem	L. M. Gray	Tula	D. H. Crewson	Lafayette Sprg's	500	3	131	1	1	1	1	1	
Spring Creek	J. J. Gibson	Myrtle	E. A. Warner	Waterford	500	3	113	1	1	1	1	1	
Tula	E. M. Floyd	Oxford	J. A. Raffald	Pickit	500	3	113	1	1	1	1	1	
Turnpike	W. J. Hargis	Leighton	W. B. Coleman	Tula	500	3	98	3	3	1	1	1	
Temperance Hill	S. W. Price	Byhalia	W. L. Pulley	Mud Creek	500	3	61	3	3	1	1	1	
Toccoola	J. F. Horton	Darden	J. W. Boatright	Waits	400	3	44	3	3	1	1	1	
Valley	I. M. Gray	Darden	W. M. Hodges	Toccoola	500	3	58	4	4	2	2	2	
			W. D. Tate	New Albany	500	3	74	3	3	1	1	1	

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